UPSIDC was to take the gas from GAIL's pipeline and work out the details of the scheme with GAIL. According to GAIL though UPSIDC had undertaken market studies but no specific proposal is pending for consideration.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Does not arise in view of the reply given in part (a) of the question.

Supply of Kerosene Oil to Uttar Pradesh

3186. SHRI RAM NARESH YADAV: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to provide more kerosene oil to Uttar Pradesh from the current month; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) and (b) Kerosene allotment to Uttar Pradesh is made on block basis as opted by the State. The volume of allocation is subject to availability of product at the time of allotment.

Allocation of Gas through HBJ Pipeline

3187. SHRI KAILASH NARAIN SARANG:
SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total length of the HBJ pipeline and what length of the pipeline passes through Madhya Pradesh;

(b) the details regarding allocation of gas to each of the States through which the pipeline passes and the ground on which such allocation has been made to each of the States;

(c) whether representations have been made by the Madhya Pradesh Government regarding certain important projects of Madhya Pradesh, which have been pending for lack of gas allocation if so, what are the reasons for not making allocation of gas in spite of these representations?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) The total length of the HBJ pipeline is 1750 kms. out of which 536 kms. passes through Madhya Pradesh.

(b) Gas has been allocated to projects to be located in different States as given below:

States	Quantity (MMSCMD)
Gujarat	2·65
Madhya Pradesh	4·6
Rajasthan	3·8
Uttar Pradesh	17·33
Delhi	2·93
Haryana	2·79

Priority of the end use, economic consideration etc. are amongst the criteria that are normally considered for allocation.

(c) Yes, Sir. In view of the availability and commitments already made, no additional allocation of gas for Madhya Pradesh has been made.

Development of Oil Fields by Private Parties

3188. SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to hand over two oilfields viz., Ravva field in Krishna-Godawari offshore and Phase III of Gandhar field in Gujarat to private parties for development; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) and (b) No decision has been taken to hand over the Ravva field and the Gandhar field to any private party.

Representation from Small Scale Salt Producers

3189. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a petition dated 3rd February, 1992 addressed to Prime Minister has been received from Small Scale Salt Producers' Association, Chidambaranar District Tamil Nadu about the difficulties faced by them in the movement of edible salt due to want of wagons; and

(b) if so, what steps Government have taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Since this movement is in piecemeal involving transhipment, the capacity is limited. Efforts are being made to improve the wagon supplies within the overall constraints.

रेलवे भर्ती बोर्ड द्वारा संचालित परीक्षा

3190. **श्री ईश दत्त यादव :** क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) विभिन्न रेलवे भर्ती बोर्डों द्वारा अनुकंपा के आधार पर रोजगार उपलब्ध कराने के लिए विगत तीन वर्षों के दौरान बोर्ड-वार कितनी-कितनी परीक्षायें आयोजित की गयीं ; और

(ख) कितने सफल उम्मीदवारों को अब तक रोजगार नहीं दिया गया है और उसके क्या कारण हैं ?

रेल मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री मल्लिकार्जुन) : (क) और (ख) अनुकंप के आधार पर नियुक्तियां रेलवे द्वारा ही की जाती हैं, रेल भर्ती बोर्डों के माध्यम से नहीं ।

Fast Trains from Haryana

3191. SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ:
SHRI MOHINDER SINGH LATHER:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that lakhs of people commute daily to Delhi from different parts of Haryana;

(b) whether Government propose to start some fast trains from different places in Haryana to enable commuters to reach Delhi in time and at cheap rates;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS